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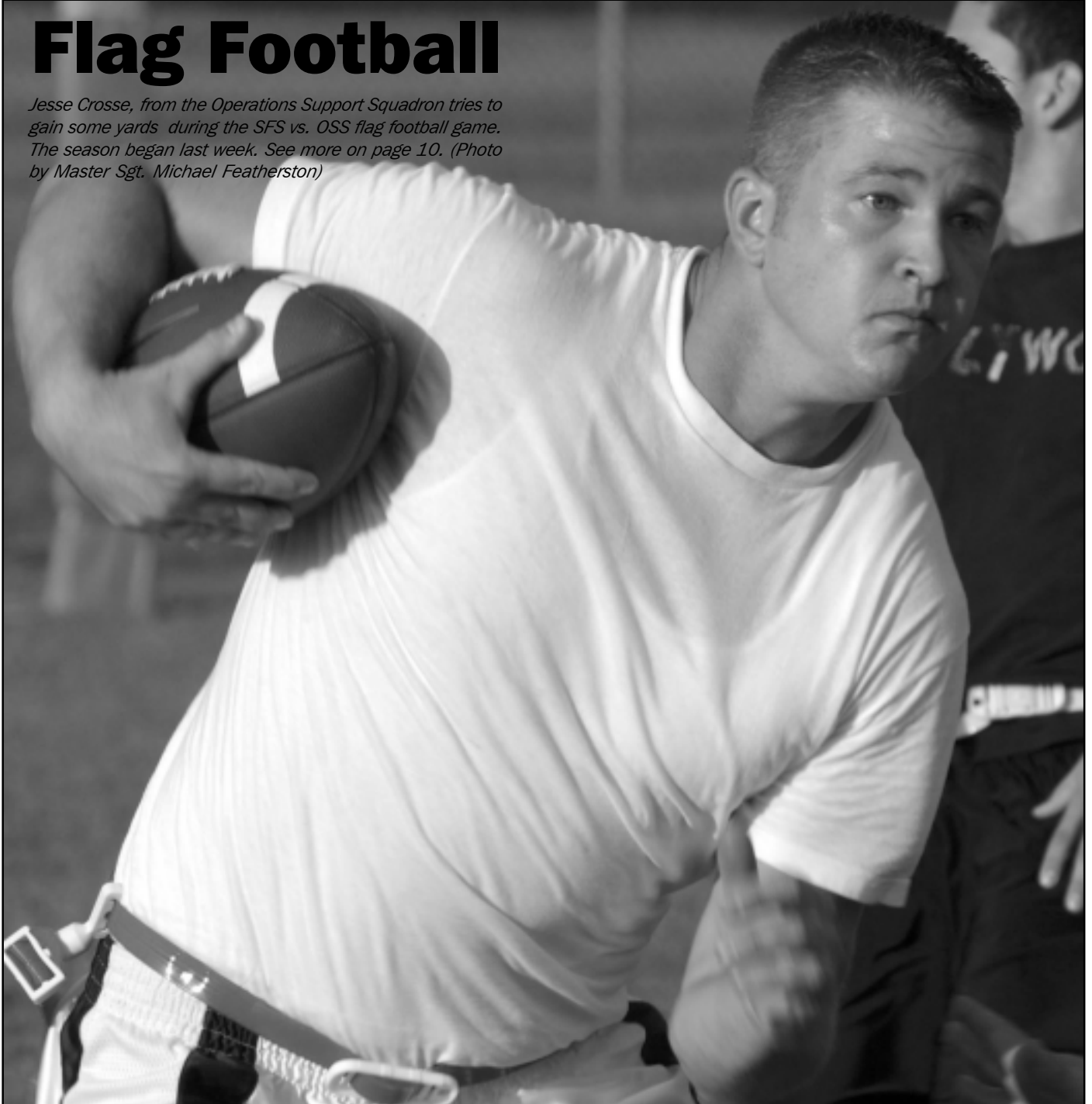
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# Flag Football

Jesse Crosse, from the Operations Support Squadron tries to gain some yards during the SFS vs. OSS flag football game. The season began last week. See more on page 10. (Photo by Master Sgt. Michael Featherston)



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# COMMENTARY

## Commander sends safety message, condolences

**By Col. Robert Winston**  
65th Air Base Wing commander

For those of us in the military and on a fiscal calendar, this is the end of Fiscal Year 2005.

Tomorrow, Fiscal Year 2006 begins.

As I look back on the year in review, we have come a long ways and we have a lot for which to be thankful.

We have spent a lot of time, energy, sweat and money to make Lajes the best at our mission —

moving warfighters and warplanes to the fight.

We have successfully transitioned 10 new commanders to Team

Lajes, including myself.

We have recognized our people's achievements through awards, recognition programs and good assignments. But what I am most proud of is that we have done all this safely.

Our mission is 24/7. While you read this and tonight while you sleep, Team Lajes' warriors are on the flightline pumping fuel, hauling passengers, marshalling aircraft and turning wrenches.

Others are ensuring non-stop global communications.

We are protected by our security forces and firefighters.

Each of these activities and many more can be hazardous if

performed carelessly.

I am awe struck with the professionalism each member of Team Lajes exhibits in our daily mission. This includes our whole team, Airmen, civilians and Portuguese nationals.

However, safety is a fleeting target. Without constant attention, safety will slip away and accidents will happen.

Just recently a car accident in U.S. Air Forces in Europe took the life of a young Airman who apparently was not wearing a seatbelt.

There is no reason to ever be in an automobile without being secured by a safety belt.

**"I need you actively and proactively engaged in making Team Lajes safer."**

--Colonel Winston

Use of seatbelts is mandatory for USAFE personnel.

*Não há nenhuma razão para estar num automóvel sem usar o cinto de segurança. Todos os membros do Team Lajes devem usar cintos de segurança quando estiverem num veículo!*

Tragically, right here on Terceira, a youth was lost just last weekend when an ocean wave breached a local swimming hole. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family affected by this tragedy.

*Eu dirijo as minhas orações e pêsames pessoais à família que perdeu a sua criança.*

My challenge to you is this: Consider what activities you are

participating in that might result in injury or death.

What can you do to help yourself or others to be safer in your daily lives?

I need you actively and proactively engaged in making Team Lajes safer.

This means wearing a seatbelt, obeying speed limits and driving appropriate speeds for the road conditions.

This means applying operational risk management to situations and stopping your wingman from doing something unsafe.

I charge each of you to make FY 2006 a safe and productive year, *um ano em segurança e produtivo!*

### Commander's Line

**Call 2-4240 or e-mail**

**[actionline@lajes.af.mil](mailto:actionline@lajes.af.mil)**

The Commander's Line is your direct link to me for suggestions, kudos and as a way to work problems or issues within the 65th Air Base Wing for which you can't find another solution.

Your chain of command should always be your first option for praise or problems -- but when that's not the answer, call or e-mail the CC Line.

**Col. Robert Winston**  
65th Air Base Wing commander



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## CFC-Overseas kicks off Monday

By Staff Sgt.  
Christin Michaud  
65th ABW Public  
Affairs

*Make a World of Difference*, the 2005 Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas, kicks off Monday and runs through Dec. 2.

The Lajes Field goal is 100 percent contact with an overall goal of \$1.9 million for U.S. Air Forces in Europe.

The CFC is the only authorized solicitation of employees in the federal workplace on behalf of charitable organizations.

"The CFC is the largest and most successful workplace giving campaign and it's an opportunity for all federal employees to contribute to worthy causes, said Col. Robert Winston, 65th Air Base Wing commander.

"I believe our people realize the importance of donating to these charities, especially in light of the recent hurricane disasters that have struck our great country," Colonel Winston said. "Also we are a nation at war and there are a lot of charities that support the war effort and our warfighters, and they are deserving of our contributions."

The campaign raises money for more than 1,700 different charities, from local charities here at Lajes to charities around the world.

"The CFC-Overseas is unique because it accepts donations for the Lajes Family Support and Youth Programs," explained Capt. Brad Stebbins, project officer for the CFC here.

"Last year, the Lajes FSYP received almost \$10,000 through the Combined Federal Campaign," he said.

"In addition, 100 percent of a FSYP donation goes to



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the program — there are no overhead costs subtracted out from a FSYP donation."

Overhead cost is one thing the CFC helps regulate when it comes to charities.

Organizations that are part of the CFC are capped on overhead costs without providing a reasonable explanation of why their costs are higher. This helps donors know how much of their money goes to the actual cause.

Regardless of whether personnel from Team Lajes choose to donate to the programs here at Lajes, hurricane relief efforts, animal or cancer societies, every little bit helps.

According to last year's statistics, 32 percent of Lajes personnel made donations through the CFC.

"To show how we all can make a difference," said Captain Stebbins, "if everyone that did not participate chose to give \$2 per month (\$1 per paycheck), Lajes could have raised an additional \$16,392. If even a quarter of that came back to the base through one organization or another, the impact would be far-reaching."

One of the incentives this year to increase participation is a CFC-O giveaway, which includes a chance to win a 2006 Ford Fusion, donated by Exchange New

Car Sales. Geico has donated second and third place prizes of two roundtrip airline tickets valued at \$4,000 and a \$1,000 savings bond.

Individuals are eligible to win by completing a pledge card whether they donate or not.

The chance to win a prize is incentive, but there are other factors that make the CFC a viable option for donating money.

"Convenience and anonymity are major advantages of the CFC," Captain Stebbins said. "The payroll deduction option allows for consistent and predictable contributions to an organization." With CFC, gifts can be given anonymously or with the donor's information if they choose to release it.

During the CFC there are strict guidelines on other organizations participating in fundraising events. "The installation commander has authority to grant private organization fundraisers," explained Captain Stebbins. "In turn, that organization can make a donation to the CFC with the opportunity for special recognition."

As in years past, the Lajes campaign is incorporating special CFC fundraisers throughout the

campaign to help raise money. "CFC fundraisers will allow for donors to choose any charity they wish or to specify 'undesignated fund,'" said Captain Stebbins.

"CFC allows me to give back to those organizations that have helped me when I needed them," said Captain Stebbins about donating to the CFC. "I control who I donate to. CFC-Overseas allows me to make an impact right here at my home station through the FSYP. Part of my life's mission statement is to protect the family. The charities I support, including the family support and youth centers, serve that end."

Unit representatives will be contacting Team Lajes with pledge cards. For more information about CFC-O, see your representative or visit [www.cfcoverseas.org](http://www.cfcoverseas.org).

### CFC Unit Reps:

Assistant Project officer: 2nd Lt. Terry Gann; 65th CPTS: Staff Sgt. Mignon Couto; 65th MDSS: Staff Sgt. Anthony Crowds or Tech. Sgt. Leonard White; 65th MDOS: Staff Sgt. Lisa Quagliari or Senior Airman Teodoro Garza; 65th SFS: Senior Master Sgt. Jimmie Davis or Staff Sgt. Joseph Lindley; 65th CS, Capt. Michael Doersam or Tech. Sgt. James Wall; 65th CES: Capt. Andrew Hoisington or Master Sgt. Michael Fischer; 65th MSS: Master Sgt. Michael Robinson; 65th Air Base Wing: Capt. Melissa Waheibi; 729th AMS, Master Sgt. Curt Kusters or Senior Airman Jennifer Grafton; 65th CONS: Maj. Robert Burns, 65th SVS: 1st Lt. Liam Clancy; 65th OSS: Capt. Brad Stebbins; AFN: Staff Sgt. Laura Holzer and DoDDS: Janneen Teixeira.

## Good to Know

### Toll-free calls

To make a call to 1-800, 888, 866, 877 toll-free prefixes, Lajes members can call DSN 809-4OFFDSN (809-463-3376). After dialing this number, callers will hear a dial tone, then they can dial the toll-free number. Using this number instead of calling a base operator at a stateside location can help reduce the workload of base operators, reduce the call holding time incurred, and improve services to the DSN users. Access/usage is authorized for all DSN users.

### SARC

Capt. Ted West is the new Sexual Assault Response Coordinator. He is located in Bldg. T-126.

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program was created to address the issue of sexual assault and to foster a culture of prevention. The Sexual Assault Response Coordinator is the source of allowing personnel to report sexual assaults confidentially.

To report a sexual assault or for details about the program, call 2-SARC (7272).

### IDEA program

The IDEA Program is an incentive program to recognize submitters for approved ideas that benefit the government by streamlining processes or improving productivity and efficiency. It also recognizes individuals for intangible benefits such as improving morale or working conditions. Ideas can be submitted via the internet at <https://ipds.mont.disa.mil>.

For more information, contact your unit point of contact or the Installation IDEA Program Manager at 2-1144.

### BX parking lot repair

The Flightview BX parking lot is under construction through December. There will be limited parking spaces in the current parking lot. Adequate parking is available across the street. Shoppers are urged to use caution when crossing the street. Drivers should take extra caution when passing the crosswalk by the Flightview BX.

# Spaghetti run Rotator switches to Italy

By Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud  
65th ABW Public Affairs

Beginning Tuesday, the rotator that flies to RAF Mildenhall, England will now go to Aviano Air Base, Italy.

The switch to Italy will actually be a return to the previous routing.

The flight to England from Lajes has only been in effect for about three years now, according to Tech. Sgt. Casey Carter, 729<sup>th</sup> Air Mobility Squadron, Passenger Service NCOIC. Prior to that, it went to Italy.

"I'm excited about the change," said Staff Sgt. Michael Frith, 729<sup>th</sup> AMS. "We just PCS'd here from Italy and now we can go back and see our friends."

The change in the rotator destination will allow people stationed here at Lajes to take leave and travel to Italy through Space A.

People assigned to Lajes who are authorized Environmental Morale Leave can use it for one trip overseas and one to the states per year for accompanied mem-

bers serving a two-year tour and per tour for unaccompanied members serving a 15-month tour here.

The flights to Italy are scheduled for a late Tuesday show time for an early Wednesday departure. They return to Lajes from Italy on Wednesdays.

The change in destination for the rotator means a change for the trip to Baltimore Washington International as well. The flight that traditionally ran every weekend will now

be midweek as part of the new routing to Aviano.

Space-A opportunities to the states will still be available, but with the switch, people need to plan accordingly when taking leave.

With the cost of commercial tickets, Lajes personnel and their families tend to rely heavily on the rotator, Sergeant Carter explained. Signing up early and knowing the best time to travel will help people who choose to fly to Italy or BWI.

For more information about flights, call the passenger terminal at 2-3227.



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## Theater offers private rental

By Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud  
65th ABW Public Affairs

The Crossroads Theater recently began offering private parties.

"We began offering this service to broaden entertainment choices on the base," said Monica Lee, Crossroads Theater supervisor.

Customers can choose from a wide variety of classic movies or a movie that is currently showing at the theater, according to Mrs. Lee.

For \$7 per person, each guest receives popcorn and a drink of their choice. There is a minimum requirement of 10 people.

There is flexibility with booking times. "As long as there isn't a regularly scheduled movie, we will book a party," she said.

One example is a birthday party right after school -- kids can just walk over. "The party movie will start at 3 p.m. and

be out before the theater needs to be prepared for the regular 7 p.m. show," Mrs. Lee said.

"We also have the ability to do a late night movie. If someone wanted to do a fright night, we could show Jeepers Creepers 2 at 10 p.m. on a Saturday. We are equipped with a very versatile staff that is happy to do what ever is needed to service the base."

Theater rentals are not only great ideas for birthday parties and playgroups, but for squadron parties or special interest groups/clubs.

Some of the movies available are titles like "Are We There Yet, Lord of the Rings, Spider-man 2, The Incredibles, Gods and Generals, National Treasure, Shrek 2, Elf," and more. One month's notice is required to request classic movies.

To schedule a private party for any occasion, call the theater at 2-4100 or via e-mail [Leemo@aafes.com](mailto:Leemo@aafes.com).





# NEWS FEATURE

## Lajes troop's volunteer work compliments mission in Afghanistan

By 1st Lt. Mike Hyland  
65th ABW Public Affairs

When most Airmen deploy they spent months preparing for a high operations tempo, long work shifts and grueling temperatures. Once in the forward location, a deployed Airman might not know what to do with sporadic free time. One Lajes information manager's decision turned out to be the most rewarding experience of her deployment.

Staff Sgt. Vanessa King, an information manager in the 65th Civil Engineer Squadron, used what little free time she was allotted to volunteer to deliver donations to orphanages and schools in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Sergeant King worked as the information manager for a three-star Army general at in a joint military environment. Her duties involved coordinating communication with several four-star generals, ambassadors, prime ministers and digni-

taries. When Sergeant King was off duty, she took the opportunity to step out into the local community and work with the Afghan people.

"I took advantage of the volunteer opportunities too so I could contribute directly," she said.

Every Friday, Sergeant King joined a group of coalition members to deliver shoes, hygiene products and various other items to local schools and orphanages. Sergeant King said the donations were only part of the trip though.

"We also visited and played with the children," she said. "They loved it."

Sergeant King said during Women's History Month, she joined in with a group from the base in inviting Afghan women to celebrate and introduce them firsthand to successes and achievements females have made in the military.

"We wanted (the Afghan women) to see the women in uniform — to see their potential for success," she



Staff Sgt. Vanessa King, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron, poses with some Afghan children after delivering donations to an orphanage in Kabul during her deployment there. Sergeant King volunteered with several other Joint force and coalition troops to take weekly donations to schools and orphanages around Afghanistan during her four-month tour. (Courtesy photo)

said.

The coalition forces are also supporting the local economy by providing jobs for the local Afghan people, Sergeant King said. Several Afghan people work jobs at Camp Eggers and provide translator services out in the towns. Sergeant King said

Air Force Explosive Ordnance Disposal teams work in the local communities to dispose of unexploded ordnances from past conflicts.

"We were doing everything we possibly could to build relations," she said.

### Everyday Hero

#### Staff Sgt. Jean-Pierre Lapre

**Organization:** 65th Security Forces Squadron

**Duty title:** Reports and Analysis NCOIC

**Job description:** Gather and develop crime statistics and brief base leadership, analyze crime trends and rates; maintain all Security Forces administrative paperwork.

**Hometown:** South Boston, Mass.

**Time in the Air Force:** 6 years, 3 months

**Spouse:** Leticia

**What's the best aspect of your job?** Interaction with base leadership

**What are your career goals?** To become a commissioned officer

**Best military experience:** Coined by

President Bush while providing security for Air Force One

**Life goal(s):** Earn a Doctorate in Criminal Justice studies

**One word to describe you:** Cautious

**Hobbies:** Boxing

**Favorite food(s):** Indonesian Bami

**Favorite color:** Blue

**Pet peeve:** New York Yankees fans

**No one knows:** I speak Dutch

**When I was growing up, I wanted to be:** a cop

**The first thing I would do if I won \$1,000,000 is:** Buy a house for mom





# Advanced Education

## Earning a degree is a realistic goal, c

By Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud  
65th ABW Public Affairs

The education office will be hosting its third annual advanced education week Monday through Thursday.

The purpose of advanced education week is to make the Lajes community aware of all the education opportunities available to them here.

A variety of colleges and universities operate on location to assist people in completing their degrees, explained Terra Schellig, Assistant Center Director for Embry-Riddle.

"Each school makes a great effort to meet the needs of the Lajes student," said Senior Master Sgt. David Cornillie, 65th Security Forces Squadron, Standards and Evaluation superintendent. "The schools at Lajes are very sensitive to work schedules; attendance for every class I've taken has been manageable," said Sergeant Cornillie, who is currently working on his Master of Human Relations degree with the University of Oklahoma.

Schools here offer degrees ranging from associates to masters, to allow Lajes members to continue or complete their education at Lajes.

"It is very possible to finish your CCAF (Community College of the Air Force degree) and finish the Masters in Human Relations degree from the University of Oklahoma while stationed here," said Mrs. Schellig.

Classes are available online and in the classroom at various times to coincide with peoples work schedules. "The opportunity to take classes both online and on-site can work with any schedule," said Leticia Lapre, who is scheduled to graduate in May 2006 with a

Bachelor's Degree in Social Science from the University of Maryland.

"I've taken classes online and in the classroom, both have advantages and challenges," said Sergeant Cornillie. "College students today should be prepared to take classes in a variety of formats."

Tuition assistance programs help active-duty members and their spouses with the expenses of continuing their education. TA covers \$4,500 per year, up to \$250 per credit hour for active-duty members.

All schools' undergraduate programs here are covered by TA, according to Mrs. Schellig. "The graduate courses however may fall above the cap and the student is responsible for the difference," she said. "For example, if a course is \$254 per credit hour. The student must pay \$12 for the course and TA will cover the rest."

"I've used the 100 percent TA," said Staff Sgt. Nicholas Kemp, 65th Logistics Readiness Squadron fuels hydrants technician, who attends classes with Embry Riddle and UMUC. "It's great getting the chance to go to school for virtually nothing."

The Spouse Tuition Assistance Program is a benefit that is available to spouses in U.S. Air Forces in Europe.



"Currently, STAP provides half the tuition cost per class, up to \$300 per term, with a maximum of \$1500 per year," said Mrs. Schellig. "This is a need based program, but everyone is encouraged to apply."

"I have used STAP every term for the past 4 years," said Mrs. Lapre. "It has made paying for classes much easier."

Other services the education center offers include college level exams, a commissioning briefing, and Combat Education Lunch 'n' Learns.

The education center here offers CLEP and DANTES to help Lajes

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## education center here can help

personnel test for college credit. The CCAF will accept up to 30 semester hours of testing credit. Exams are offered at the education center Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

"I took several CLEP tests for my undergraduate degree, said Sergeant Cornillie. "I was able to get credit for Algebra, Humanities and Western Civilization."

Airman Macias has also tested for some of his college credits through CLEP and DANTES. "I don't know the exact amount but I've past almost half of my tests," he said.

A commissioning briefing is held the first Tuesday of every month at 9:30 a.m. to help enlisted members learn about the ways they can trade their stripes for bars.

Combat Education Lunch 'n' Learns are free seminars open to the Lajes community. Past topics have included: CSI: Crime Scene Investigation, I Don't Know What I To Be When I Grow Up, and a To-School Eagle Bash.

you're not sure where to start at degree you would like to e, stop by the Ed Center and aff will help to point you in the direction," said Mrs. Schellig. knowledge is power," said eant Kemp. "I love to learn — I be in the Air Force forever, but I'm done I will be able to get b I want, not the job I had to for. It's never too late to start, et in there and have confi- e in yourself." 's easy and as soon as you get

into a rhythm; it gets easier and you get more motivated,' Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Isaac Macias added.

"Make education a part of your life, even if it is just one course a semester. If you can't make the on site classes, try a distance learning course," suggested Sergeant Cornillie. "Those classes add up and before you know it you'll be only a class or two from a degree and better prepared for success in the military or civilian sector."

For more information about the educational opportunities available here at Lajes, call 2-3355.

### **Schedule of events**

#### **Lajes 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual**

#### **Advanced Education Week**

#### **Reach for the Stars**

#### **Monday**

7 a.m. -- Reach for the Stars Fun Run at Chase Fitness Center

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. -- Education Center Blast Off

Noon – 1 p.m. -- Exploring the Library Research Universe

#### **Tuesday**

9:30 to 10:30 a.m. – From Stripes to Bars

Noon to 1 p.m. – Distinguishing yourself from the other stars

#### **Wednesday**

Noon to 1 p.m. – Navigating the Textbook galaxy

#### **Thursday**

Noon to 1 p.m. – Education Week BBQ

## **CLEP and DANTES**

The education office offers the following College Level Examination Program and Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Educational Support tests:

General CLEPs	Semester Hours
College Mathematics	6 SH
English composition (without essay)	6 SH
Humanities	6 SH
Natural Sciences	6 SH
Social Science & History	6 SH
Subject CLEPs	
Analyzing and Interpreting Literature	6 SH
College Algebra	3 SH
Freshman College Composition	6 SH
History of the U.S. I	3 SH
History of the U.S. II	3 SH
Information Systems & Computer Apps.	3 SH
Introductory Psychology	3 SH
Introductory Sociology	3 SH
Principles of Management	3 SH

#### **DANTES -- All 3 semester hours**

Fundamentals of College Algebra  
Principles of Statistics  
Human Cultural Geography  
A History of the Vietnam War  
Ethics in America  
The Civil War and Reconstruction  
Foundations of Education  
Lifespan Development Psychology  
Drug & Alcohol Abuse  
Introduction to World Religions  
Introduction to Law Enforcement  
Criminal Justice  
Astronomy  
Here's to Your Health  
Principles of Finance  
Human Resource Management  
Organizational Behavior  
Principles of Supervision  
Business Law II  
Introduction to Computing  
Introduction to Business  
personal Finance  
Management of Information Systems  
Fundamentals of Counseling  
Principles of Public Speaking  
Technical Writing

## **On Base Schools**

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University [www.erau.edu](http://www.erau.edu) 2-3375 or 295-573-375

University of Oklahoma [www.goou.ou.edu](http://www.goou.ou.edu) 2-3171 or 295-573-171

University of Maryland [www.ed.umuc.edu](http://www.ed.umuc.edu) 2-4187 or 295-574-187

Central Texas College [www.ctc-europe.com](http://www.ctc-europe.com) 2-6722 or 295-576-722

## Chapel reaches out to Lajes through Combat Touch

By Staff Sgt. Christin Michaud  
65th ABW Public Affairs

One Combat and Special Interests Program is designed to focus on the spiritual needs and well-being of Airmen and their families.

Combat Touch is a U.S. Forces in Europe mandated quality of life indicator which measures unit outreach/visitation by the chapel staff and customer satisfaction of the worship experience at various chapel services.

It also measures leadership satisfaction with the assigned squadron chaplain and unit dorm satisfaction with the ministry of the chapel.

"We meet those goals by being available to leadership, squadrons and by providing a world class ministry expression to every Airman regardless of his or her beliefs or faith perspective," said Chaplain (Capt.) David Knight, the project officer for Combat Touch.

Combat Touch ensures Airmen and family members are aware of the programs, services and expertise available to aid spiritual growth.

"Combat Touch is important to Lajes because it stresses the spiritual dimension of our lives which enables us to better do our mission," said Chaplain Knight.

One Team Lajes member who takes an active role in the program agrees.

"Combat Touch is a necessary program because it meets a need that may otherwise be overlooked," said Staff Sgt. Jacob Silvia, 65th Civil Engineer Squadron and program leader of the Protestant Youth of the Chapel.

"The Combat Touch programs encompass every aspect of what we do at the Chapel," said the Chaplain.

"From our worship to our visitation and outreach; Combat Touch entails every way that the chapel can make a difference and better enable the warfighter to function and do the mission."

Some of the ways the chapel makes a difference here at Lajes include hosting the single and unaccompanied member dinners on the fourth Thursday of each month, and spiritual fitness programs that include religious education and Bible study for all ages.

The chaplains practice Combat Touch initiatives from ongoing religious education programs to the creative outreaches to transient personnel as well as worship opportunities and programs for singles, children and youth.

Care and outreach are seeing

results. One example is with the youth group; it has tripled in size since July.

"It's a place where kids can get away from the rest of the world, which tries to tell them who they are supposed to be and what they are supposed to look like," Sergeant Silvia said.

"They can come here and be themselves and experience unconditional acceptance," he said of the Combat Touch programs at the chapel for youth. "Youth work is an investment into our own future."

In addition to youth programs, the chaplains here offer a spiritual refueling thought of the week, New Creation Café, spiritual refueling stations, family movie nights and chapel charities.

"The objective is to reach out to every Airman through unit visitation, spiritual fitness programs and worship opportunities," Chaplain Knight stressed. "Combat Touch stresses the availability of each chaplain to be 'a visible reminder of the Holy' even to personnel who have no personnel faith or belief system."

For more information on Combat Touch programs, call the chapel at 2-4211.



**Question:** What kind of flower is the pink one that grows wild along the

## Ed explains pink flower now blooming

roadsides of the island that can be seen in the fall? Is it like a state flower?

**Answer:** The Azoreans call those flowers belladonnas but the correct scientific name is "Amaryllis Belladonna," which is also known as the "naked lady" due to the absence of leaves or "belladonna lily."

This supposedly poisonous flower is an autumn-flowering bulb with a stout, purple stem

bearing fragrant, funnel-shaped pink flowers. It grows wild along the roadsides, but it can also be seen in many gardens around the island and used as a decoration in many homes.

As far as the "state flower," although the Azores don't really have an equivalent to a state flower, I would dare to say that the hydrangea *Macrophylla*, commonly known as *Hydrangea*, (*ortênsias* in Portuguese)



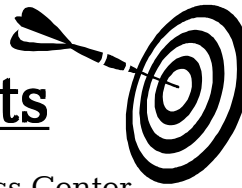
is probably the flower that is most common to all the Azorean islands, and could very well be considered the Azorean flower.



## Ultimate Sports Day Thursday



### Schedule of Events



Blood Pressure Checks -- 8 a.m. at the Chase Fitness Center  
 Opening Ceremony -- 8:15 a.m. at the Chase Fitness Center  
 5K Run and Walk -- 8:20 a.m. at the Chase Fitness Center  
 Darts -- 9:20 a.m. at the Top of the Rock Club  
 3-on-3 Basketball -- 9:30 a.m. at the Air Base No. 4 Gym  
 QB Challenge -- 9:45 a.m. at the Ocean View softball field  
 Tricycle Race -- 10:15 a.m. at the skating rink  
 Volleyball -- 11 a.m. at the AB4 Gym  
 Homerun Derby -- 11:30 a.m. at the Security Forces Squadron field  
 Dodgeball -- 11:30 a.m. at the Lajes High School Gym  
 Water Balloon Toss -- 12:15 p.m. at the soccer field  
 Kickball -- 12:45 p.m. at the SFS softball field  
 Tug of War -- 1:30 p.m. at the soccer field  
 Closing ceremony -- 2 p.m. at the SFS field  
 Trophy presentation -- 2 p.m. at the SFS field



### Intramural Sports Standings

#### Bowling

MED GP	10-0
OSS	8-4
SUPP/TRANS	6-4
COMM #1	7-5
JAMS #1	6-4
AMS #1	6-6
COMM #2	5-6
CES	5-4
CONS	3-7
SFS	3-7
AMS #2	3-7
JAMS #2	2-10

#### Flag Football

CES	3-0
AMS	2-1
MED GP	2-1
COMM	2-2
LRS	2-2
SFS	1-2
OSS	0-4

### ARMCHAIR QUARTERBACK CHALLENGE

Each week during football season, the Crossroads publishes a list of the National Football League games of the week for Team Lajes to predict. The person with the most correct picks will win free movie passes (admit two), \$3 off any Burger King purchase and a "rent-one-get-one free" at the Shoppette donated by AAFES.

The number one-ranked Armchair Q.B. each week will get his or her name and photo published in the Crossroads and we'll also print any smack talk the winner chooses to submit. Congratulations to week three's winner, **Todd Katz**. Now for the losers -- This week's "You Don't Know Jack" award goes to **Melissa Waheibi** who missed nine, I repeat, NINE. I wouldn't play the lottery if I were her. She's from Buffalo folks -- we'll cut her a break this week.

Bring picks to the Public Affairs office in room 240 of Bldg. T-100 or e-mail them to [lajesnews@lajes.af.mil](mailto:lajesnews@lajes.af.mil). All entries must be submitted before the opening kickoff to the first game Sunday. In the case of a tie, a winner will be decided by who picks the closest combined score of the Monday Night game.

*"This was just one more representation of Fire Dawg's leading the way! I hope that Capt. Rollman is not now known as 'eigher'!"*

-Todd Katz



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Total Points for Monday's Game: \_\_\_\_\_

## Flag Football begins



**Right:** Nicholas Rorie, 65th Communications Squadron, prepares to throw a pass before Ruben Sanchez from the Operations Support Squadron grabs his flag during the CS vs. OSS flag football game. Jason Ratliff, 65th CS, waits for his move.

**Above left:** Gabriel Smith, 65th CS, catches the ball as his opponent from the 729th Air Mobility Squadron team soars through the air to prevent it.

**Above right:** Nicholas Stamm, 65th OSS, avoids his opponent during a rush Monday at the OSS vs. CE flag football game. (Photos By Master Sgt. Michael Featherston)





# PLANNER

## Meal time

**Burger King:** 7 a.m.-9 p.m. Sun.-Thu.; 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Fri., Sat.

**Frank's Franks:** 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Tues.-Sat.

**Oceanview Island Grill:** Mon.-Sun. 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Beginning Monday the Oceanview Island Grill will have fast food service for military members from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mon.-Fri. The specials are Lasagna and fries, roast chicken and fries or pork ribs and fries for only \$5.25. Call orders in to 2-3387. Pick up and go orders can be picked up at cashier number one. Meals will be ready in 10 minutes or customers will receive a refund.

Weekly Specials include fries or salad & drink: Mon., roasted chicken or meatball sandwich; Tue., 16" 2-topping pizza; Wed., fried shrimp; Thu., 16" 1-topping pizza or taco salad; Fri., lasagna. Pizza specials only come with drinks.

**Subway:** 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sat.; noon-6 p.m. Sun.

**Top of the Rock Club:** The TORC is currently closed for lunch to prepare for the new contract.

The following menu will be served in the main lounge from 4 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday through Oct. 15: Hot wings, chicken crispy grilled salad, fries, onion rings, cheese sticks, grilled chicken sandwich with fries, Philly cheese steak and fries and the Phoenix Island burger. Pizza will be sold by the slice.

## Chapel

**Daily Mass:** 11:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday

### Monday

Protestant women's spiritual fitness training, 7 p.m.

### Tuesday

AWANA 6 p.m.

### Wednesday

Men's spiritual fitness training/lunch, noon; Catholic choir practice 5 p.m.; traditional choir practice 6 p.m.; hand bell choir practice 7 p.m.; men's bible study, 7 p.m.

### Thursday

Gospel choir practice 7 p.m.

### Sunday

Celebration of Holy Communion 8:30 a.m.; Protestant traditional service 9 a.m.; Confes-

sions, Sunday at 9:30 a.m. or by appointment. Catholic Mass 10:30 a.m.; Gospel service, noon; Protestant teens/youth 6 p.m.

## Base services

**Barber shop:** 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Sat., 2-3396

**Beauty shop:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Sat., 2-4124

**Child development center:** 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 2-3188

**Community activities center:** 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Tue.-Sat.; noon-5 p.m. Sun., 2-4135

**Commissary:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed., Fri., Sat.; 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Thu., 2-6174

**Chace Fitness Center:** 5 a.m.-midnight Mon.-Fri.; 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Sat., Sun., 2-5151

**Dry cleaners:** 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Mon.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 2-3630

**Flight View BX:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. & Portuguese holidays, 2-5236

**Gas station:** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun., Mon. (gas only); 10 a.m.-6

p.m. Tue.-Sat., 2-5125

**Library:** 4-9 p.m. Mon.; 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Tue.-Thu.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fri.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat., Sun., 2-3688

**Manicure shop:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Sat., 2-2493

**New Car Sales:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tue.-Wed.; noon-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat., 2-3173

**Ocean Front BX:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Wed.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun., 2-3444

**Outdoor recreation:** 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Tue.-Sat.; 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sun., 2-4140

**PFCU:** 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Thu.; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri., 295-543-681

**Shoppette:** 9 a.m.-11 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Sun., 2-3280

**Skills development center:** noon-8 p.m. Tue.-Thu.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fri., Sat., 2-5255 or 295-575-255

**Thrift shop:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mon., Wed. and Fri. and the 3rd Sat. of the month. 2-3567 or 295-573-567

**Vet clinic:** 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; 1-7 p.m. 1st, 3rd Wed., 2-3134 or 295-573-134

## AFN Sports

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### Saturday

#### AFN-Atlantic

College Football: Virginia Tech @ West Virginia, 4 p.m.

College Football: Florida @ Alabama, 7:30 p.m.

#### AFN-Sports

MLB: Philadelphia Phillies @ Washington Nationals, 7 a.m.

MLB: Chicago Cubs @ Houston Astros, 11 a.m.

MLB: NY Yankees @ Boston Red Sox, 5 p.m.

College Football: Georgia Tech @ Virginia Tech, 7:30 p.m.

#### AFN-Pacific

College Football: Texas @ Missouri, 4 p.m.

College Football: USC @ Arizona State, 7:30 p.m.

### Sunday

#### AFN-Atlantic

NASCAR Nextel Cup Series: UAW-Ford 500, 6:10 p.m.

NFL: Minnesota Vikings @ Atlanta Falcons, 10 p.m.

#### AFN-Pacific

NFL: San Diego Chargers @ New England Patriots, 5 p.m.

NFL: Dallas Cowboys @ Oakland Raiders, 8 p.m.

#### AFN-Sports

College Football: South Carolina @ Auburn, noon

NFL: Seattle Seahawks @ Washington Redskins, 5 p.m.

NFL: Philadelphia Eagles @ Kansas City Chiefs, 8 p.m.



**Today: 7 p.m. "Dukes of Hazzard,"** rated PG.

Set in present day, the story follows the adventures of "good old boy" cousins, Bo and Luke Duke, who with the help of their eye-catching cousin Daisy and moonshine running Uncle Jesse, try and save the family farm from being destroyed by Hazzard County's corrupt commissioner Boss Hogg (Burt Reynolds). Their efforts constantly find the "Duke Boys" eluding authorities in "The General Lee," their famed 1969 orange Dodge Charger that keeps them one step ahead of the dimwitted antics of the small southern town's Sheriff Roscoe P. Coltrane.

**Today: 10 p.m. "The Great Raid,"** rated R.

Set in the Philippines in 1945, "The Great Raid" tells the true story of the 6th Ranger Battalion, under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Henry Mucci who undertake a daring rescue mission against all odds. Traveling thirty miles behind enemy lines, the 6th Ranger Battalion aims to liberate over 500 American prisoners-of-war from the noto-

rious Cabanatuan Japanese POW camp in the most audacious rescue ever.

**Saturday: 7 p.m., "Super Cross,"** rated PG-13.

Two brothers overcome emotional and physical obstacles to achieve success in the competitive world of Supercross racing. The brothers' conflicts are magnified by their different life choices and their decision to become competitors and rivals. KC Carlyle is a more cautious rider than his younger brother Trip, who has more natural talent but takes too many risks. When KC gets an all-expenses paid "factory" — corporate sponsored — ride, a rift forms between the two brothers. Trip is forced to go at it alone, becoming a "privateer"—a rider without a sponsor. But when a career threatening crash ends Trip's Supercross career, he and KC realize that they must put aside their conflicts, and work together.

**Sunday: 2 p.m. Dukes of Hazzard; 7 p.m. "Great Raid"**

**Wednesday: 7 p.m., "Super Cross"**

**Thursday: 7 p.m., "Dukes of Hazzard"**

**Note:** Movies and times shown are subject to change. For details, call 2-4100/295-57-4100 or visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com).





# EVENTS

Submission deadline is Thursday one week prior to publication. E-mail announcements in normal text with event, location, date, time, point of contact's full name and phone number/e-mail address to [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil). For on-base numbers, dial 295-57 and the last four digits.

## Street bullfights

**Today:** 5:30 p.m., Feteira  
**Saturday:** 5 p.m., Rua Gervasio Lima, Praia; Vila Nova; Canada do Caldeiro, Biscoitos; and São Mateus  
**Sunday:** 5 p.m., Rua da Saúde, Praia da Vitoria  
**Monday:** 4:30 p.m., Lajes  
**Tuesday:** 5 p.m., Lajes  
**Wednesday:** 4:30 p.m., Lajes; 5 p.m., São Mateus  
**Thursday:** 4:30 p.m., Lajes

## Other local events

**Angra jazz festival:** The 7<sup>th</sup> International Jazz Festival of Angra is taking place through Sunday in the Angra Cultural Center, where the tickets are on sale.

**Today --** 9:30 p.m. – Didier Lockwood Trio – Tribute to Stéphane Grappelli; 11:30 p.m. – T.G.B. trio

**Saturday --** 9:30 p.m. – Sheila Jordan with Steve Kuhn trio; 11:30 p.m. – Dave Holland Quintet

**Sunday --** 9:30 p.m. – Bill Charlap trio; 11:30 p.m. – Preservation Hall Jazz Band

## Base events

**Harley Infotainment evening:** The Exchange New Car Sales office is hosting a Harley Infotainment evening today at 7 p.m. in the Top of the Rock Club, to share information about the savings the military Harley program offers. The first 200 people to arrive will get a free Harley Davidson limited edition T-shirt. For more information, call Lee Brothers at 2-3173.

**Playgroup:** There will be a playgroup for children from birth to age 5, 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Lajes Youth center. For more information, call 295-574-138 or 2-4138.

**OB Town Hall meeting:** The Women's Health Clinic will be holding an OB Town Hall Meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday at the base chapel annex. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the unique delivery options here at Lajes Field. Pregnant women

and other interested parties are invited to attend.

**Terceira Island Circle:** There will be an opportunity to Make your own beaded bracelet during this month's Terceira Island Circle 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the family support center. For more information, call 295-574-138 or 2-4138.

**Air Force Ball:** The Air Force Ball is scheduled for 7 p.m. Oct. 8 at the Top of the Rock Club. Tickets are \$18 for club members and \$20 for nonmembers. Sign up sheets are available in all units.

**Family and Teen Talent contest:** The Community Center will host a talent contest Oct. 15. Contestants can enter in one of 15 categories: parent and child team; husband and wife team; children (ages 3-5); children (ages 6-8); preteen solo (ages 9-12); preteen group (ages 9-12); teen solo (ages 13-15); teen group (ages 13-15); teen solo (ages 16-18); teen group (ages 16-18); and family.

For details, call the Community Center at 2- 6143 or Lajes Youth Program at 2-1197.

## Education center

**Oklahoma University classes:** Spousal Tuition Assistance deadline for Term II is today.

The next course being offered for the fall is HR 5462-226, "Counseling Skills in Human Relations," an elective course toward a Master's degree in Human Relations degree. The course dates are Dec. 13-18. The last day to add/drop will be Nov. 31. For more information call Jaclyn Kemp at 2-3171.

**Central Texas College:** The Legal Assistant/Paralegal program is coming to Lajes. Central Texas College will begin offering the Legal Assistant/Paralegal program in Term 2, beginning with LGLA 1307 Introduction to Law and the Legal Profession. Term 2 registration begins Oct. 11 and runs through Oct. 21. For more information, please contact Kimberly Henne at 295-576-

722/2-6722 or stop by the CTC office in Bldg. T-400.

The CTC office is open Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University:** Embry-Riddle is holding registration for the next on-site course, SFTY 345, through today. For more information, contact Terra Schellig at 295-573-375.

## Volunteer/jobs

**Services vacancies:** The following positions are vacancies or anticipated vacancies within the 65th Services Squadron: recreation aid for and youth center and community activity center, and a child development program assistant. To apply for any of these positions, visit the 65th SVS Human Resources Office in Bldg. T-112. For more information, call the HRO staff at 295-572-200 or 2-5200.

## Miscellaneous

**Holiday Greetings:** An Army and Air Force Hometown News Service Team will be here 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at Warrior Park adjacent to the Top of the Rock Club, to give Lajes members a chance to say "Hi," to their family back home. To make an appointment, call Public Affairs at 2-6161.

**Breast Cancer survivors:** The Women's Health Clinic is looking for breast cancer survivors who would like to share their story of survival at a Breast Cancer Awareness Month luncheon in October. If interested, please contact Maj. Jill O'Rear at 2-3239 or 295-573-239

**African American Heritage:** The African American Heritage Committee will meet at noon every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at the Sun and Sand Hut. For details, call Master Sgt. James Keiler at 2-6844 or Staff Sgt. Cheick Bah at 2-3606.

**FSC car listing:** The family support center keeps a book or car listing for sale for

newcomers and people about to PCS. For details, call 2-4138.

## School Information

**School Advisory Committee:** Lajes American Schools first School Advisory Committee meeting will be held 3 p.m. Oct. 12 in the Elementary School Media Center.

**Traffic Flow:** As a reminder, parents should enter gate by the old dental clinic and nearest the high school entrance when dropping off children. Remain in single file and watch for children exiting cars especially be aware of right-handed drive vehicles where children are exiting from the left. Do not leave space between vehicles -- pull up into the space nearest the next car to let children out. Maintain one lane of traffic. Do not pull out from behind a parked car and go around.

## Classifieds

*Submit ads via e-mail to [news@lajes.af.mil](mailto:news@lajes.af.mil). Ads are due by 5 p.m. Friday. Please remember to notify the Crossroads when items have been sold.*

For sale: 2000 Chevy Malibu, silver. PCSing, Must sell. Will Negotiate. \$7,000 O.B.O. Call Monique 295-515-667 or 969-592-189.

2000 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo, Champagne, auto, PCSing must sell. Great family vehicle and in exc. cond. New CD player, power locks, windows, and steering!! 50K miles, brand new brakes/rotors, and nearly new tires!! Asking \$10,000, will negotiate. Call Justin or Amanda at 295-549-660 or e-mail [mandecuris@yahoo.com](mailto:mandecuris@yahoo.com).

For Sale: 1996 Renault Twingo Excellent Condition, 42,000 miles – lightly used. All electrical and digital, w/ new tires. Inspection good until March 2006. Portuguese Plates. Good size for island parking. Price: \$4,300 OBO Great & reliable island car! Call Matthew Glaros 2-4211 H: 295-549-205

For Sale: Complete Mess Dress for about a 6 foot male. Separating, once used, immaculate condition. Best Offer. Call 965-356-789

For Sale: 1991 Chevrolet 4X4 Blazer. \$2,500 OBO. Inspection good until June. Call 295-542-042 if interested.

Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious Nanny Available! Don't pass this one up, she cleans, does laundry and speaks great English! Trustworthy nanny whose family has just PCS'd and needs a new family to take care of. Call Tania at 965598061. For references call (210) 771-6305.

Wanted: to trade or buy, Game Cube or X-Box games. Esp. looking for Digimon Rumble Arena 2. Call Natalia at 965-480-769.